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NETWORKS FOR DRUG DELIVERY  
AND TISSUE ENGINEERING

Attorney Docket No.: 6261-227

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.56 AND §1.97**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The above-identified application claims priority to U.S. Application No. 08/862,740, filed May 23, 1997.

In accordance with the duty of disclosure imposed by 37 C.F.R. §1.56 to inform the Patent and Trademark Office of all references coming to the attention of Applicants or Attorneys for Applicants which are or may be related to patentability of the claimed invention, Attorneys for Applicants hereby direct the Examiner's attention to references AA through AP, which are listed on the accompanying revised PTO Form 1449. As References AA-AP are of record in the parent application, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.98(d) copies of these references are not being submitted herewith.

Identification of the above-listed references is not to be construed as an admission of Applicants or Attorneys for Applicants that such references are available as "prior art" against the subject application. Consequently, Applicants respectfully decline to use form PTO-1449, since that form identifies all of the references cited therein as "Prior Art." As an alternative, Applicants submit herewith a "revised form PTO 1449" entitled "List of References Cited".

Applicants request that the Examiner review all the references identified on the attached revised PTO Form 1449, and that they be made of record in the file history of the above-captioned application.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits; therefore, Applicants estimate that no fee is required. If a fee is required, please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150.

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